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3rd Engineer Regiment at Pisek

- 25X1C1. The 3rd Engineer Regiment, [REDACTED] is located at Pisek;  
its headquarters are in the Zizka barracks.
- 25X1C 2. Leading personnel are:
- a. Commanding Officer Col. Ing. Bohuslav Kruzik, who lives in town and not in the barracks.
  - b. DOZ Officers 1st Lt. Krasl and 2nd Lt. Skrivan, both of whom are powerful and convinced Communists.
  - c. Garrison Physician Col. Had.
  - d. Battalion Commanding Officers Staff Capt. Valvoda, Staff Capt. Kavalcik.
  - e. Supply Officer Staff Capt. Valusek.
  - f. Communications Company Commanding Officer Capt. Straka.
  - g. Company Commanding Officers
    - 1) Capt. Herka, a former partisan and an important Communist.
    - 2) 1st Lt. Disman.
    - 3) 1st Lt. Rychald.
- All these officers are Communists. The majority of the men of this regiment are Slovaks and therefore only a very small number of them, probably only 15 percent, are Communists.
3. The armaments of the regiment consist of German rifles and light machine guns; Soviet sub-machine guns and pistols, caliber 9 mm; new Czech sub-machine guns, model 45; flame throwers; Panzerfausts; and grenades. Except for the new Czech sub-machine guns, the weapons are old and worn out.

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4. In a storehouse near the village of Oldrichov (N50/Q60), mines are stored. These mines consist of anti-tank mines, protective mines, S mines, land mines, PMMD, and wooden anti-infantry mines. This storehouse was built recently and contains much material. Its importance may be indicated by the fact that only officers guard the building.

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Engineer Regiment at Sereď nad Vahom

5. An engineer regiment, [REDACTED] is located at Sereď nad Vahom (P49/T31); its headquarters are in the barracks near the railroad station. An engineering school for non-commissioned officers and one battalion are located at Komarno; another battalion is located in Michalovce (R49/E74).
6. Leading personnel are:
- a. Commanding Officer Col. Svozil, whose family lives in Olomouc; he lives in the barracks.
  - b. Deputy Commanding Officer Staff Capt. Lihan, an elderly person who allegedly has been ousted for unreliability since he is strongly religious.
  - c. DOZ Officer Capt. Miskech, a former partisan who likes to drink and is negligent in his duties.
  - d. Supply Officer Staff Capt. Rapko.

These officers are trusted and loyal to the regime. The morale of the men is not good. There are about 2,600 - 3,000 men in the Sereď garrison, and only about 10 percent of them are Communists.

7. The armaments of this regiment include Czech rifles model 24, Soviet sub-machine guns, model 42 and 9 mm pistols, German light machine guns, and Skoda grenades. All this equipment is old and worn out. The ammunition storehouse is located at Pezinok (P49/T00) because this regiment was formerly stationed at Bratislava. In July 1949 the regiment moved to Sereď, but the stores remain at Pezinok.

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